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Re: Application of Keiichi KAWAI *and* Norito TAKAMURA
METHOD OF MEASURING BINDING SITE ON PLASMA PROTEIN OF
PLASMA PROTEIN-BINDING DRUG AND METHOD OF MEASURING
PLASMA PROTEIN MUTATION
Assignee: NIHON MEDI-PHYSICS CO., LTD.
Our Ref: Q87268

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☒ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☒ a copy of the ISR.
- ☒ a Submission of ISR and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR/IPER references.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ a copy of the Notification Concerning Transmittal of Priority Document (PCT Form 304).
- ☒ **it is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f)**

In addition to the documents submitted herewith, it is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report and cited references, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by §371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned will undertake to provide them upon request.

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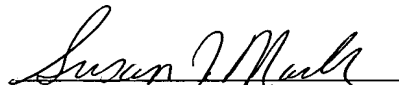
* The international search fee for all claims was not paid to the USPTO, as the ISA, but the ISR is being submitted herewith.

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$950.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
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Sir:

Submitted herewith is a copy of the International Search Report received in the International Application corresponding to the above U.S. Application and a PTO/SB/08 A&B (modified) listing the references cited in the Report. Upon issuing the Report, the International Bureau should send a copy of the Report and the cited references to the United States Patent and Trademark Office. However, if the Examiner would like us to obtain and file copies of the references with the USPTO, please contact the office of the undersigned attorney. The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt of the International Search Report.

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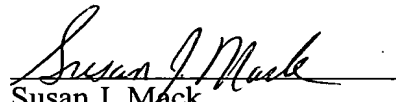
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waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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